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A TALE OF EATING HUMANS

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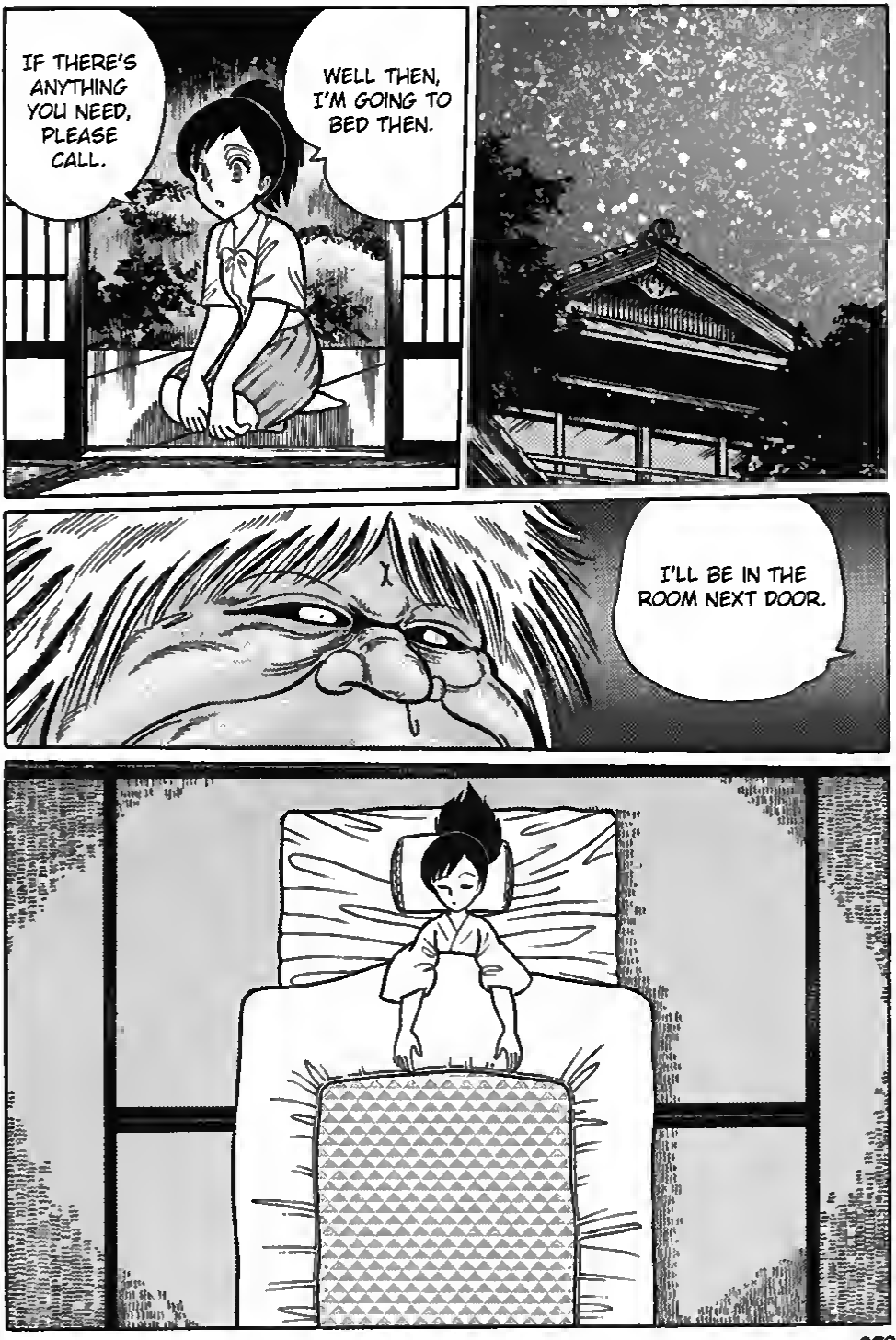
YES.
HEY.
YOU'RE THE PERSON HERE TO LOOK AFTER MY GRANDMOTHER.
THIS IS QUITE A LARGE RESIDENCE.
MOSTLY YOU JUST HAVE TO PROVIDE HER WITH FOOD.
IT'S A PRETTY EASY JOB.

DURING THAT TIME, IT'LL JUST BE YOU AND MY MOTHER ALONE.
I'LL BE AWAY AT WORK FOR QUITE A WHILE.
I'M COUNTING ON YOU.
YOUR DAILY SALARY WILL BE 10,000 YEN.

THAT OLD WOMAN DIDN'T SPEAK A WORD.
AND SO, FROM THAT DAY ON, I'D BE STAYING OVERNIGHT.
SHE WOULDN'T EVEN TOUCH ANY OF HER FOOD.
IF YOU DON'T EAT A LITTLE...
...YOUR BODY WILL SUFFER.


IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU NEED, PLEASE CALL.
WELL THEN, I'M GOING TO BED THEN.
I'LL BE IN THE ROOM NEXT DOOR.

I HEARD THE SOUND OF SOMETHING BEING EATEN.
IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT...
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I OPENED MY EYES AND...
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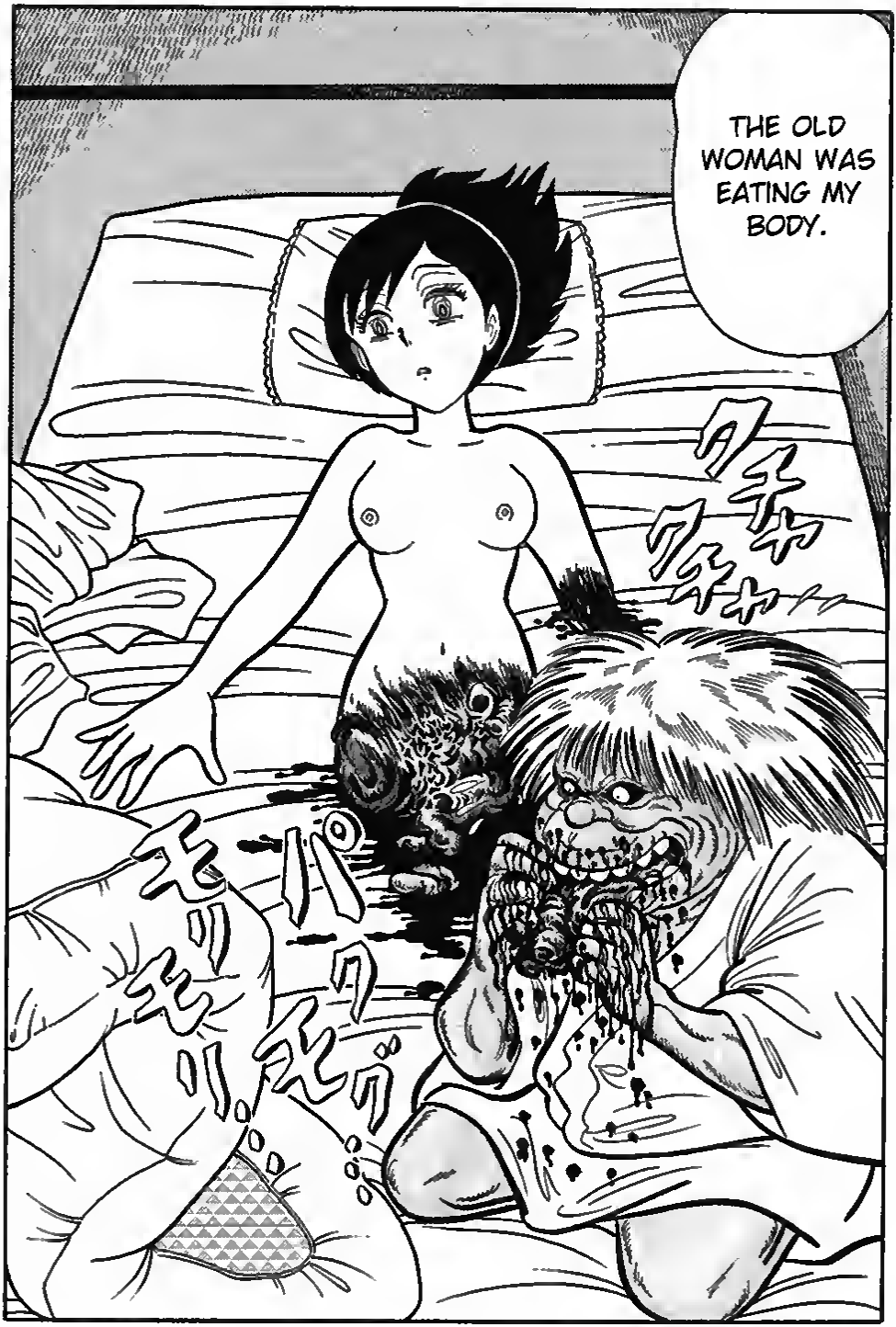
THE OLD WOMAN WAS EATING MY BODY.

THE BACK SIDE OF MY HEAD FELT NUMB AND MY BODY WOULDN'T MOVE EITHER.
IT WAS STRANGE, BUT I FELT NO PAIN.
IT WAS LIKE I WAS IN A DREAM.
THE OLD WOMAN HAD A VORACIOUS APPETITE AND WAS QUICKLY DEVOURING MY BODY.

THERE'S NOTHING OF ME LEFT BUT MY HEAD NOW.
NOW SHE'S CHEWING ON MY HEAD.
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THE OLD WOMAN HAD EATEN ME ME DOWN TO THE LAST BITE.
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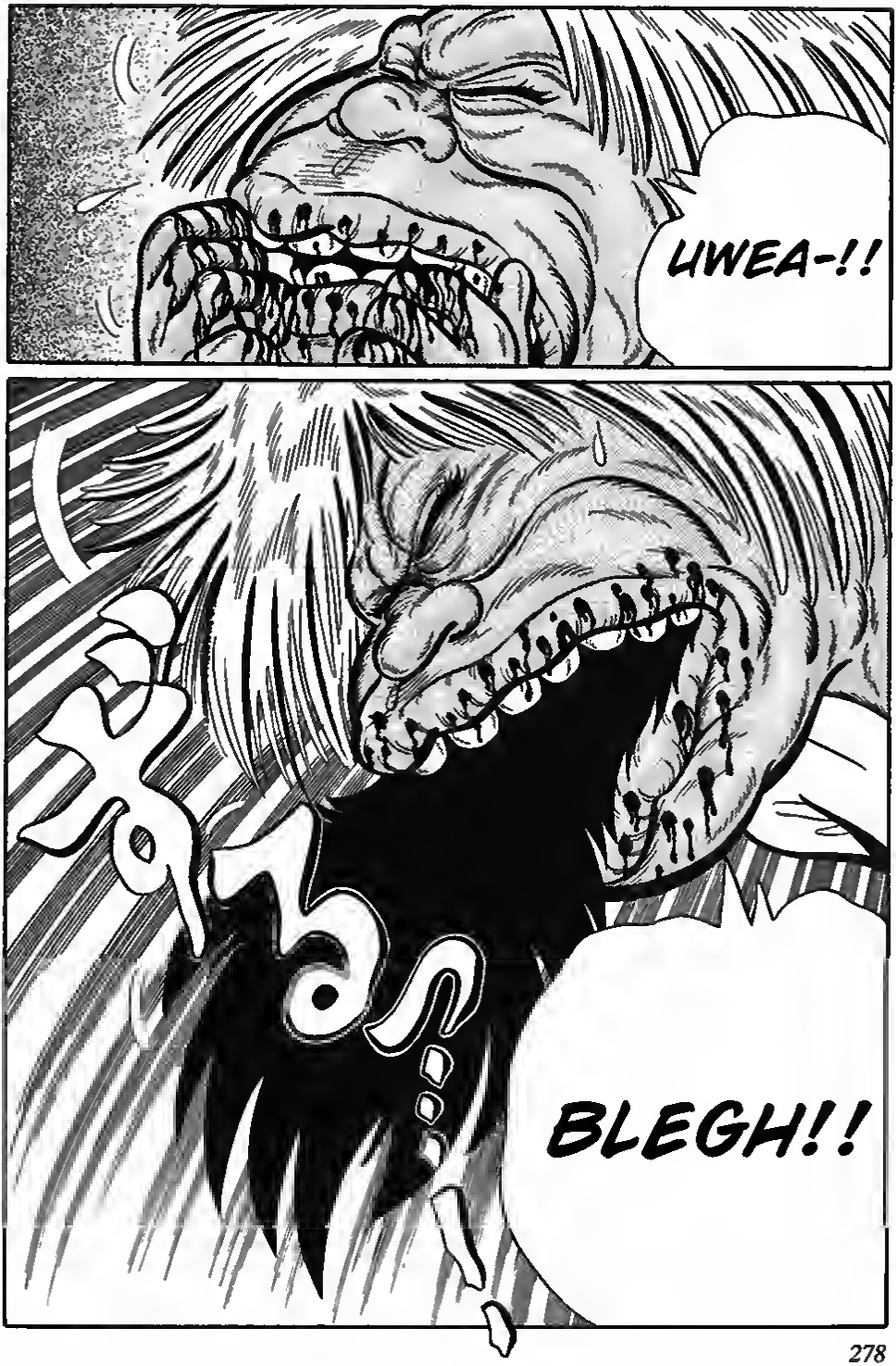
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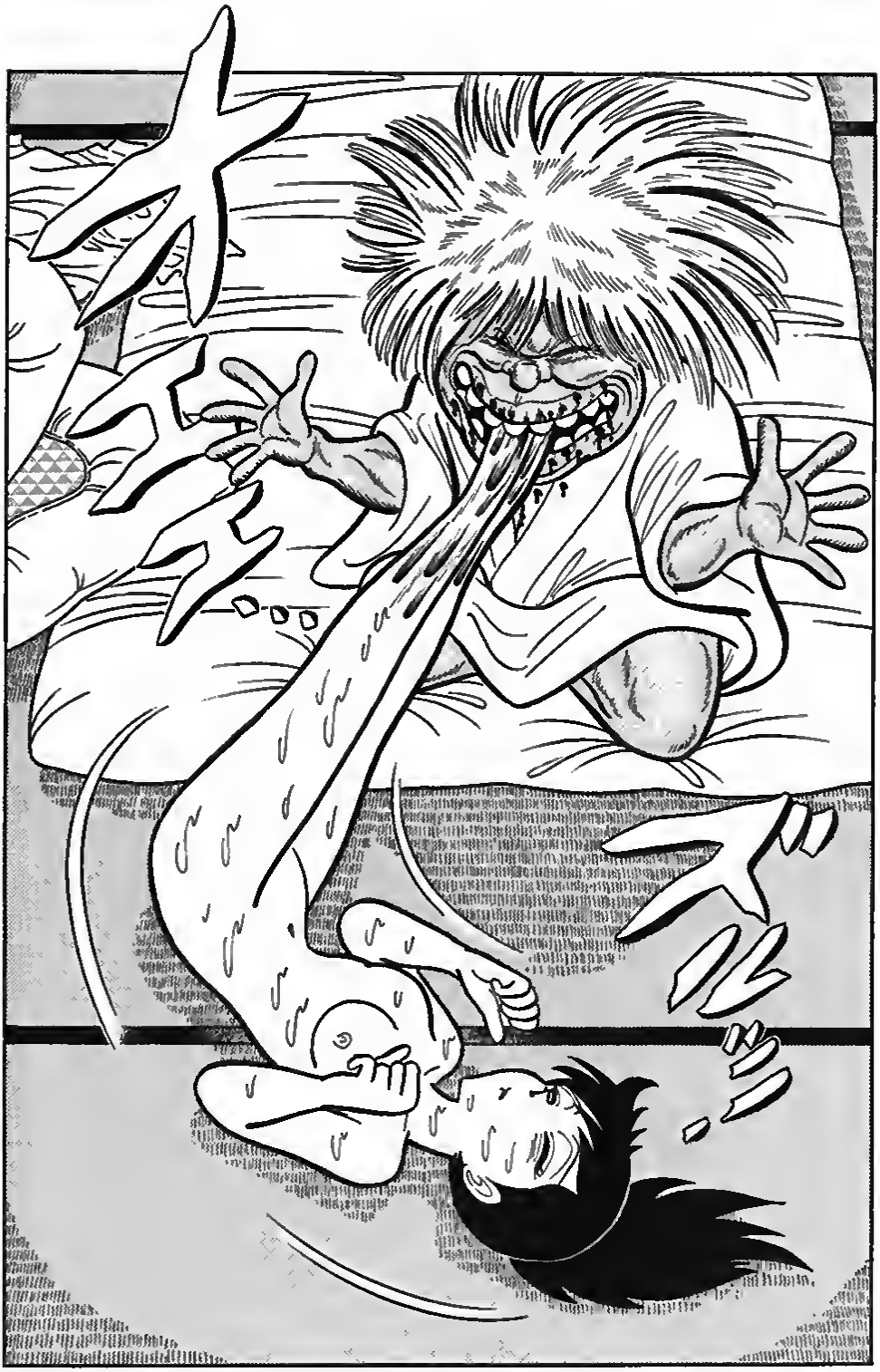

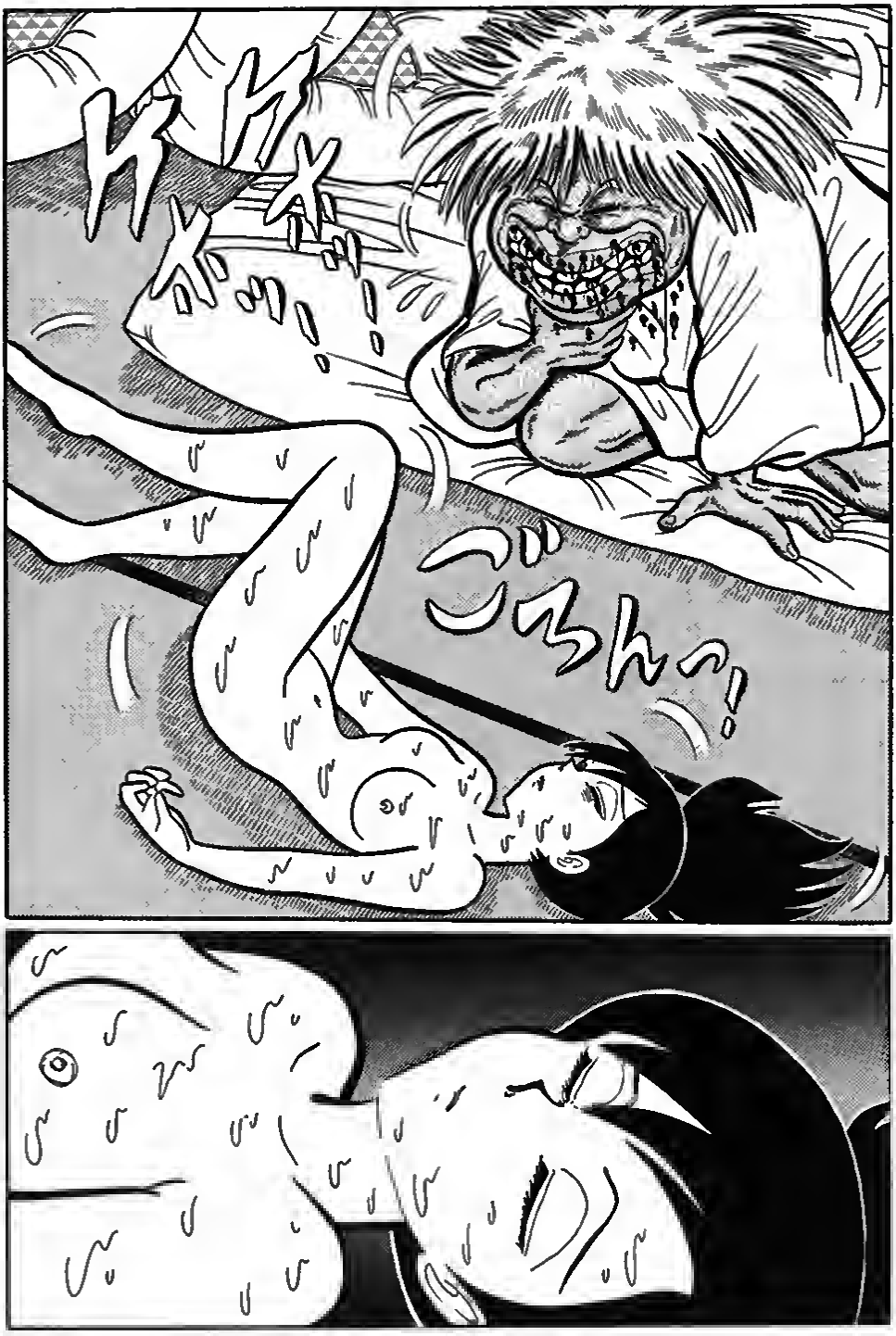
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THE NEXT MORNING, THAT MAN RETURNED.
SORRY ABOUT THAT.
I'LL PAY YOU FOR LAST NIGHT'S WORK, SO...
...WOULD YOU MIND BEING DISMISSED?
MY GRAND-MOTHER DIDN'T SEEM TO TAKE TO YOUR *FLAVOR*.
I HAVE TO FIND A BETTER PAYING JOB THAN THIS, I THOUGHT.
10,000 YEN WAS TOO LOW SALARY FOR THAT.